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These Accidents in Redwood City Spelled Death



Eva Mae Reynolds suffered fatal injuries in the car at the right as it passed the Redwood City drive-in where she was employed. Seven persons were taken to hospitals after this head-on crash at 11:23 p.m. Sunday. (Tribune photo.)



Five members of one family were injured when their car, shown on the right, and one driven by an Oakland man collided on Bayshore Hwy. in Redwood City at 5:50 p.m. Sunday. Driver of the left car died at the scene. (Tribune photo.)



U. C. Mann of Oakland died shortly after this picture was taken Sunday night by Tribune Photographer Reginald McGovern. Fireman Willis Leslie and an unidentified army major are shown supervising use of the inhalator. Mann succumbed to a compound skull fracture.

Sentence Check Passer to Jail

James M. Fenton, local tire broker who pleaded guilty to fictitious check charges in superior court, was sentenced Monday to nine months in the county jail by Judge Maxwell McNutt. Fenton was also given probation for two years, on condition he make restitution.

Plea of Gordon and Charles Hawkins, held on kidnap charges after they allegedly kidnaped and beat William Winter, Brisbane, last Oct. 7, will be held before Judge McNutt Dec. 3. The brothers appeared for arraignment today. Louis B. Dematteis is handling the defense, as court-appointed attorney. Dep. Dist. Atty. A. S. Whitmore is handling the prosecution.

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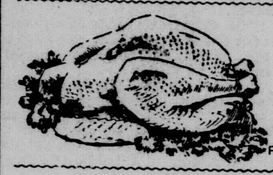
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A. M. Willis 78th Traffic Victim in '45

Arthur M. Willis, 33, 750 Maple St., Redwood City, was pronounced dead on arrival at Community Hospital Friday night after he had been struck by the auto of Kenneth Chan, 16, 3045 Pacific Blvd., San Mateo, on Pacific Blvd., near Chan's home.

Willis was the 78th traffic fatality in the county so far this year. The death toll in the county from traffic accidents, now matches the 1941 pre-war annual total of 78 deaths, reported the San Mateo County Traffic Safety Commission.

So far, in the 10½ months of 1945, deaths from traffic accidents total 27 more than occurred throughout 1944, when 58 accident deaths were reported, Mrs. Bessie Hayes, executive secretary of the commission, declared.

Willis, a laborer at Bay Meadows racetrack, was struck at 5:30 p.m. Friday, as he was crossing the boulevard, San Mateo police reported. A member of the Disabled War Veterans, Menlo Park chapter, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert L. Henderson of Redwood City and a brother of Delbert and Frank C. Willis, also of Redwood City. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 12:45 p.m. from Layng and Tinney Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Golden Gate National Cemetery.

Chan was booked on technical manslaughter and released on his own recognizance.

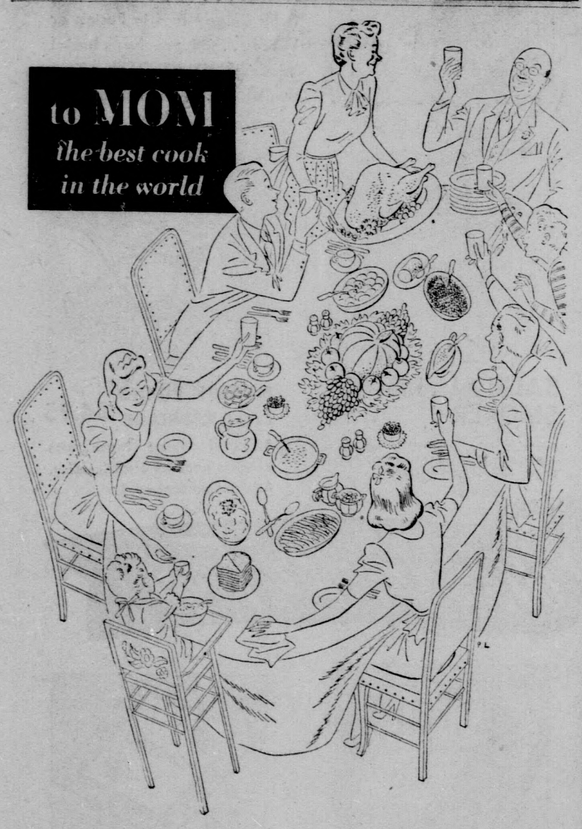
A second man, Francis J. McAvoy, 40, also employed at the racetrack by Ward Tucker, was walking with Willis prior to the accident. McAvoy was also struck by the Chan car, but disappeared after the accident and was not located until this morning when he came to the San Mateo police station.

Police took him to Community Hospital at 7:40 a.m. where he was treated for head injuries and dismissed.

Capt. Goularte Home on Leave

Capt. Joseph Goularte, one of the first Tribune employes to leave for army service, returned Tuesday on terminal leave. Captain Goularte returned from Europe on Oct. 23, arrived in Los Angeles Oct. 27, where his wife and two children have been living.

The captain, Tribune advertising salesman on leave, commanded the Fourth Mobile Radio Broadcasting Co.



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Sequoia To Resume Instrumental Music; Date Not Certain

Resumption of instrumental music instruction at Sequoia Union High School and a positive effort to keep the public informed on school district affairs were promised by the district board of trustees Friday night.

Both commitments were made at the request of Ray Spangler, publisher, after a discussion of the controversy involving the board's action of May 11 in discontinuing instrumental music and attempting to dispense with the services of Max Gelber, band and orchestra instructor. The board did not state when the instruction would be resumed, but said steps were now being taken to increase student interest.

Trustee Merritt Hosmer said he favored creation of a publicity department for the school to keep public interest in the schools at a high plane after Spangler declared that the information that the board voted to discontinue instrumental music on May 11 had not been given to the public.

"Bear in mind," the publisher told the board, "that the subject of instrumental music has been controversial since May, 1941. In that year Mr. (A. C.) Argo (school superintendent), recommended that Mr. Gelber be transferred to the mathematics department.

"A petition signed by 341 persons, and a delegation of about 100 including several members of the clergy, appeared before this board to oppose that transfer. The motion to concur in Mr. Argo's recommendation was lost for want of a second.

"This indicated the extent of public interest then, and while a whole high school generation has gone on since, and while interest in instrumental music has declined, the matter of discontinuing instrumental music entirely is of importance to the public. The public is 'paying the freight' for this school and is entitled to know what is going on.

"We do not have sufficient manpower to send a reporter to all of your meetings," Spangler told the board. "We depend on the superintendent's office for the bulk of our information.

"The May 11th meeting was an adjourned meeting. We did not know it had been scheduled. We did not know it was held. Perhaps we failed our readers in not being sufficiently diligent to unearth this matter at the time, but let me cite the facts:

"On the morning of May 12 one of our reporters contacted Mr. Argo personally. He gave her the story of a student election. I have questioned her at some length. I asked her if Mr. Argo informed her that the board had met, or if she learned that the board had voted to discontinue instrumental music, or dispense with Mr. Gelber's services on June 30. She said 'no.'

"There was an election on May 19, and I wish to point out, without drawing any sinister conclusions, that the public went to the polls that day entirely unaware of what had happened on May 11. I think the news would have had some effect on that election.

"I do not accuse this board or any of its employes of committing any positive act to withhold the news. I do say that no one made any effort to see that the public was advised, either through the columns of the Tribune or through any one of the weekly newspapers published in the district.

"And as is usual in such cases, when the truth is finally dragged out it comes more explosively than if it is aired at the time."

The newspaperman told the board that in his opinion the music situation had been poorly handled at the expense of the students, that the instrumental music department had fallen apart at the seams in bad odor.

"The sooner it's put back together, the better for the school and for the community," he declared.

"An effort was made to circumvent the tenure law by the device of discontinuing instrumental music," he said.

Trustee Clifton Woodhams said the board is already endeavoring to create interest in music by stimulating extra-curricular activity.

"This is the people's school," declared Hilton. "I thought Mr. Argo always gave out the news."

"I think it would be a good idea to build up a publicity department," said Hosmer. "Nobody comes around to see what we're doing."

Trustee Stuart Copps said there was no desire "not to co-operate" and the board was trying to do a job for the best interests of the school.

Chmn. Charles H. Merrill's opinion that Sequoia bands and orchestras were never "up to par" was challenged by Reginald McGovern, Sequoia alumnus, who said that before the war they were recognized as second only to Burlingame on the Peninsula.

Argo said he did not recall that he failed to announce the results of the May 11 meeting, and said he could remember no reason for desiring to withhold news of new developments in the old controversy. He maintained that it is his policy to make all pertinent news public, and even had gone so far as to prepare some of the stories.

Spangler said nothing in the investigation warranted any criticism of school counselors in connection with music department enrollment.

Merrill's statement that "we do want the music department back on a high plane and at high standards" met unanimous approval of the board members.

Earlier the board discussed the proper use of an acre and a half tract of the campus transferred to use by the city as a park. Hosmer suggested that it was a problem for the city recreation department to handle.

R.C. To Buy Fire Trucks For Cash

Redwood City will pay cash for two new fire trucks for which bids will be open Dec. 3.

This decision was made by the city council Monday after City Mgr. Edgar W. Blom recommended bids be advertised at the next meeting.

The cash outlay, to be made from a $50,000 postwar fund created by the council several years ago, was suggested by Councilman Chester C. Armstrong in order to save 6 per cent interest charges on the more than $20,000 purchase.

The trucks were originally slated to be bought on a rental-payment basis.

City Atty. Paul A. McCarthy sustained Armstrong's proposal that the purchase of the new rigs was a capital outlay and therefore the sum could be borrowed, without interest, from the postwar fund.

A 1916 rig and a 1922 pumper, which will be replaced by the new trucks, will be advertised for sale at the next meeting.

Money from their sale will go toward payment of the new rigs.

Blom, who pointed out the new trucks would have to meet Board of Fire Underwriter specifications, suggested an analysis of the bids could be presented at the Dec. 17 meeting, and that bids could be let on basis of that study.

Delivery probably would not be promised within 90 days of awarding of the bid, Dep. Chief Joseph Lodi said today.

Airplane 'Pancakes'; Minor Hurts

Two Redwood City men, both experienced and licensed pilots, narrowly escaped death or serious injury Sunday at San Carlos airport when their rented biplane stalled on a takeoff, crashed into an earthen dyke at the airport runway's north end, and then bounced to pancake on the ground.

George Murray, of Murray-Fowler Tire Co., 1007 Jefferson Ave., piloting the plane, and Ernest L. Werder, deputy county fire warden, were the aviators.

San Carlos police, called to the scene, found Murray unhurt and Werder suffering only a minor chin cut. Werder had been seated in the forward cockpit of the Stearman craft, with Murray in the rear seat, at the controls.

"It was just one of those things," Murray said Monday. "The engine was in apparently good condition, and we started our takeoff. We were just off the ground when the motor stalled, and then picked up again. But we were so near the ground the undercarriage caught on the dyke, and 'bounced' us about 50 feet in the air to 'belly flop' with a real smack. It could have been a bad accident."

Bob Lane, operator of the airport, said the plane had been secured from the War Department surplus stock, and appeared to have been "washed out" by the crackup. He estimated damage at about $2000.

San Mateo Sues For Road Land

Action in eminent domain was filed in superior court here Monday by the City of San Mateo against eight property owners asking reversion of title of a roadway used by the public for more than 26 years, to the city. The roadway is 30 feet wide and 1365 feet in length, the complaint alleges, and angles between Alameda de las Pulgas and 24th Ave. there. The suit asks that compensation be set to the present property owners and that title be given the city for the roadway. Suit was filed, City Atty. E. A. Wilson declared, as a result of the city council's action Nov. 5.

Spaniards seeking gold in Argentina introduced Argentina's chief source of wealth—livestock.

Supervisors Set Dec. 5 As Meeting Date; No Action on Home

San Mateo County supervisors Tuesday moved to tackle the problem of the alarming increase in traffic fatalities and injuries by calling a mass meeting of county and city law enforcement, judicial and administrative officials, for Dec. 5.

On the invited list of the public meeting are the Traffic Safety Commission, California Highway Patrol officers, judges, the sheriff, city councilmen and police and representatives of the State Board of Equalization.

The report on the juvenile home of the grand jury's public morals and delinquency committee, made public yesterday, was read at this morning's session. No action was taken, although supervisors complained of delays in selecting a site for the juvenile home.

The supervisors, who first considered appointing a committee to meet with Traffic Safety Commission members, were addressed by Francis A. Raymond, San Ftancisco and Peninsula newsman, who spoke for the press.

"We are vitally interested . . . We thought maybe we could help out," he said.

Raymond referred to statements made this morning by Mrs. Bessie Hayes, secretary to the traffic commission.

She attributed the rising traffic toll to a scarcity of traffic officers whose ranks were depleted by war and other conditions, public disregard of traffic laws, and improper co-ordination between all agencies concerned.

She scored a countywide attitude toward prosecution of traffic violators, and urged closer co-operation between state and city police in patrolling state highways.

Raymond asked the supervisors to "put through a program with teeth in it," and cited feasibility of such a program by referring to Palo Alto.

"San Mateo County is noted for its sentimental juries and sentimental judges," he said.

He urged immediate action in calling a meeting.

Chmn. E. R. McDonald suggested the traffic program be over-all, and defended officers and judges who are subject to considerable pressure "when they try to do their duty."

McDonald termed the traffic problem one "of the human equation."

Supervisor Thomas L. Hickey defended the supervisors concerning delay in selecting a juvenile home site, and insisted, "It isn't up to the board—it's up to the judge."

"Bring on the site," he declared.

Supervisor Martin Poss reported Judge A. R. Cotton of the juvenile court was this week scheduled to tour the various proposed sites with Planning Comsr. Ronald Campbell.

"The planning commission is doing everything it possibly can," McDonald asserted.

Fire Damages N.P.A. Home

Dozing in his living room after a hard day's work, Harold Shelton was rudely awakened when he noticed flames on the ceiling above a wood-burning stove shortly after 8 o'clock Sunday night, at his home 945 Woodland Ave., North Palo Alto.

The fire spread so rapidly that by the time he had returned from another room where he telephoned the Menlo Park Fire Department, Shelton was barely able to pass through the living room and escape the door.

Firemen responded to the alarm at 8:13 p.m.

San Carlos Planning Commisssion Votes for Rezoning Of Devonshire Property From Business to Residential

BY FRANCES FRYER

SAN CARLOS—Two recommendations to the city council, a setting for a public hearing and the rehashing of contentious matters—duplexes, the "old administration building" and the meaning of "restricted residence"—occupied the San Carlos Planning Commission at a long meeting held Monday night at the city hall.

Recommended was the rezoning of a portion of the property owned by the Suburban Investment Co. in the Devonshire District from business to second residential, with the remainder to be rezoned to first residential; a public hearing was set for the night of Dec. 3 over alleys and parking areas off Laurel, and set back lines on East San Carlos Ave. were recommended.

C. J. Cunningham of the Suburban Investment Co. was present and stated he was "no longer very interested" in what was done with the rezoning of the property but he would like to point out that a few lots, some not even belonging to him, which just logically were not residential. This included some adjacent to the present quads and some between established business buildings. He also asked that the acreage this side of the "old administration building" property which belongs to him, be kept business as "it seems ideal for a store."

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Cotton of Carmelita Dr. said they were annoyed by the juke box at the Inn. In this Cunningham said he sympathized with them. Cotton also asked what (Cunningham) intended to do with the "so called play area." Cunningham countered, "Do you favor removing or keeping it?" Cotton said he would like to see it left as it is and Cunningham said this was his intention.

Mrs. Willa Cloys Carmack, landscape artist, told the commission she thought it was "shortsighted to limit business development at this time," and she thought this area, near where a new district high school and an elementary school are planned, could stand a bakery, beauty parlor, stationery store and a couple of competitive grocery stores. She believed a planning commission should think of those things instead of "holding a limited or personal attitude."

The subject of the "old administration building" brought forth a favorite topic now as to how that got changed into apartments. The building which is in the business zone belongs to Cunningham who stated last night, "after all it has been a great improvement" and in this he was supported by George Lagomarsino, commission member, who said the building as it formerly was, "was a detriment to the community." Councilman Truman S. Waterman held to his former contention that it had been converted without knowledge of the commission or council, although it had been pointed out to him, on several previous occasions, that at that time the commission was not actively functioning and also that as an improvement to an old building it only required a building inspector's permit.

City Atty. Carl Anderson said that what he was interested in in this whole discussion was to see Cunningham protected, saying "you can't divide a single parcel of a man's land in several directions."

Injected in the discussion was a long argument over what was meant by "restricted residence" in the city's ordinances. During this time City Engineer Robert Klassen said he would like to ask the city attorney "under which ordinance we are operating," to which Anderson replied, "That is a very embarrassing question as I am waiting for your master plan." Donald Lilly terminated this by saying, "regardless of terminology" the purpose of this meeting we understood was to see this area zoned to single family dwellings. Bye said it was.

Final motions of recommendation were: That the land adjacent to the "old administration building," and those across the street next to the quads and business buildings, should be zoned from business to second residential, and that the remainder of the lots in question be zoned to first residential. On the first motion, Waterman voted, no, he said, "just for the record" to show he was against duplexes, and Lilly said in the same way he voted, yes, only because of the city atttorney's interpretation. The second motion was unanimous.

A decision to hold a public hearing on alleys and parking areas off Laurel in the first block south of San Carlos Ave. arose out of a plea by Fred Drake that the commission reconsider the request on San Carlos Ave. where the Ben Franklin store intended to locate, asking them only for 5 feet instead of the 10 feet which they were told was necessary at the last commission meeting. However other members of the commission were of the opinion that Butler Bros. who were to erect the building had transferred their interests to the Wooldridge Building off Laurel St. Anderson said "If that company is satisfied with a location it will take it," Klassen said he had it directly "from the horse's mouth" that they were interested in another location, but it was possible that was for another store.

Lilly said he was "all out" for an open meeting over the alleys "to let 'em (the people) have an inning" and Chmn. Gordon Bye set Monday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the city hall.

Reuben Franks Enters Taxi Business Here

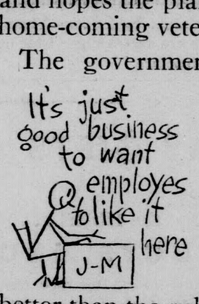
Reuben Franks, district manager in the Tribune circulation department, has left his position to go into the taxi business here. He will operate the Redwood Cab Co., with Joseph Bettencourt.

J-M Smokestack
By Jim Asbestos



Best Company Veteran Plan

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-Jim Asbestos
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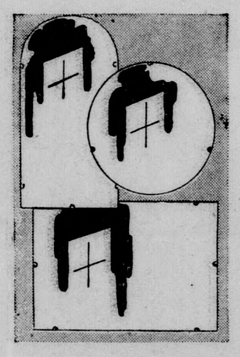
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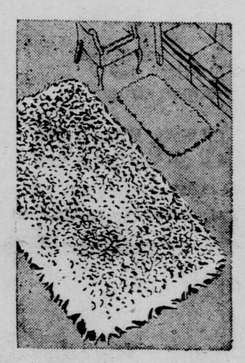
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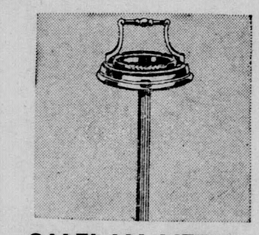
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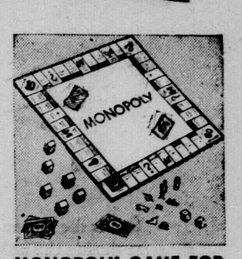
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Councilmen Approve Appointment of Group To Study Underpass

Redwood City councilmen looked to the future Monday night and unanimously approved appointment of a committee to study a proposed underpass at the Broadway railroad crossing.

Their action coincided with submission of a planning commission report urging immediate preparation by a planning engineer of a master city plan "simple enough that its objectives might be attained within the next 10 years."

Underpass committee members, to be appointed by Mayor W. W. Hilton, will be asked to work on a similar basis as the hospital study committee which meets regularly to compile data on all phases of construction and operation.

Councilman Carl A. Britschgi proposed the underpass committee and later seconded Councilman Evans E. A. Fletcher's motion for its establishment.

"I agree with Councilman Britschgi as to the necessity of an underpass, but it's going to take a lot of money," Councilman George W. McNulty declared.

"We're trying to get a hospital here. Two things at once may hurt one," he added.

"The study would take months," Councilman Chester C. Armstrong said. "It won't be decided for months, maybe years."

The underpass, City Mgr. Edgar W. Blom pointed out, is one of 18 items listed by the planning commission in the report that was submitted to the council last night.

"It is one of the most difficult things to come up in a master plan," he asserted.

Hilton said it would be a "good point" to name a planning commissioner on the committee.

The planning commission report contained a previously announced recommendation that .5 per cent of the $998,000 public works bond money be appropriated toward financing a master plan.

One-half of one per cent of the bond issue would provide $4990, while the other half of the $10,000 fund estimated as necessary for the master plan should be provided from other funds, the report stated.

Part of the remaining portion might be paid from the unbudgeted reserve and part from a 1946-47 budget appropriation, with possibility of borrowing money from some other fund if necessary to pay for the master plan before the end of this fiscal year. the report suggested.

"Streets, zoning and setbacks, with consideration of possible changes in the zoning ordinance with respect to light industrial areas and uses permitted in first and second residential areas" was number one item on the list of items termed appropriate for the plan's scope.

"Streets are a key to the entire master plan and embrace further widening of main arteries connecting Bayshore Hwy., El Camino Real, Alameda de las Pulgas and Junipero Serra Blvd. This in turn necessitates a final determination of the location of the latter two boulevards."

Sewers and garbage treatment and disposal plant, the water system, community center, recreation and parking, tree planting, group transportation "with consideration of the commuter element," street lighting, drainage structures, fire and police protection, garbage and refuse dumps and airports were other items named.

Off-street parking with "consideration of a requirement that multi-storied business structures, hotels, apartment houses, theaters, etc., be required to provide parking areas accessible for patrons" was a major item.

Family Files Suit For $50,000 Here

Suit for $50,000 damages was filed in superior court here Monday by Mrs. Margaret Weston and her daughter, Dorothy, 15, against Arvil I. Larsen, as a result of an accident on El Camino Real at St. Francis Way, San Carlos, Nov. 18, 1944.

Navy In Tour Of Property Here

Navy officers who recently toured Redwood City and obtained maps of Woodside Rd. property "were conducting a preliminary survey of sites through the Bay Area that may at sometime be useful for navy purposes," a 12th Naval District spokesman said Saturday.

The officers, representing the planning section of the Public Works Dept. had "nothing positive" in regards to their tour, he declared.

The navy visit disclosure was countered by L. E. Werder, Redwood City representative of the Land Development Co., who said he knew nothing of the navy survey, and that plans to develop the 621 acres into sites for 1600 homes were in their final stages.

Construction of 125 homes on the Carson-Monckton properties, now known as Redwood Terrace, is expected to get under way this Spring, Werder said.

Preliminary street work may begin within the next 60 days, he added.

The navy spokesman pointing out the navy might acquire property for "anything," ranging from a hospital to a training school.

He emphasized the survey represented "nothing definite."

Litton Industries Report Formation

Formation of a company to be known as Litton Industries, with a capitalization of $150,000, was disclosed by County Clerk W. H. Augustus Saturday as directors of the new Redwood City firm filed articles of incorporation.

The firm is to issue 1500 shares of stock with a par value of $100 each, and will handle all products "relating to the high vacuum field" operation, the articles of incorporation assert.

Details of the new company's work could not be learned today, although J. P. Gordon, 241 Selby Lane, named as director of the new firm, is also manager of the Litton Engineering Laboratories of Redwood City, manufacturer of radar and radio equipment for the armed forces during the war.

Other directors include Lucy T. McQuade, 1372 Walnut St., San Carlos, and C. B. Currie, 40 Arch St., Redwood City.

Planners OK E.P.A. Center

County aid was virtually assured for the erection of an East Palo Alto community center Thursday afternoon when the San Mateo County Planning Commission animously voted in favor of a request for a use permit to erect a public building on a piece of property acquired by the Citizen's Service League earlier this week.

Led by Lt. Col. J. L. Connolly, a delegation of 15 East Palo Alto residents met with the commission at the county courthouse here.

Commission action was taken after Colonel Connolly presented his community's case and requested a use permit. The property for which the permit was issued is located on Bell St., between Euclid and University Aves. in East Palo Alto.

In requesting the permit, Colonel Connolly drew attention to a population of 6000 in the area, including 1000 children between kindergarten and high school ages. There is, he asserted, a pressing need for some sort of leisure time facilities.

Colonel Connolly said that the next step of his recreation committee, after having plans drawn up for the proposed building, will be to get county Recreation Commission approval of the plans and program.

In a meeting with the recreation commission last Tuesday, the commission went on record to do everything possible to get the program going and keep it going, Colonel Connolly added.

South San Francisco representatives presented plans for their proposed war memorial building at the civic center, and the commissioners recommended the supervisors authorize the County Board of Architects to proceed with plans.

The northern county city was represented by the South San Francisco War Memorial Commiittee which pledged co-operation with the county's seven-point war memorial program.

Four R.C. Navymen Receive Discharges

Four Redwood City navymen have received discharges from Camp Shoemaker, separation officials announced Monday.

They are: Ship's Cook 2/c John R. Keesling of 320 Redwood Ave., Chief Carpenter's Mate Frank Aragon of 1502 Jefferson Ave., Storekeeper 1/c Henry G. Rankine of 228 Fulton St., and Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate Eldon C. Thompson of 762 Hillcrest Dr.

No Cheerful Thanksgiving Preparations at the P.A. Home Of Tiapon Family, Which Struggled Through Philippines

BY FRANCES MOFFAT

There were no cheerful Thanksgiving preparations this week in the two-room cottage off Bayshore Hwy. that provides shelter for Mrs. Birdie Tiapon and her four children.

The Palo Alto family that struggled 500 miles on foot through Philippine jungles to keep a rendezvous with an American submarine and escape from the Japheld Island of Panay, is today pondering the high price of liberation.

Mrs. Tiapon, in 1939, attracted statewide attention for her loyalty to Richard Beichert, then 19, of Redwood City, during his trial and acquittal on a charge of slaying his stepfather, William J. Beichert.

Until this week, the Tiapons lived in the hopes of returning to the Philippines—going back to the successful poultry ranch started by the father of the family, Serafin Tiapon, former employe at the Veterans' Administration Facility in North Palo Alto, who was buried alive by the Japs because of suspected guerrilla activities.

Now Mrs. Tiapon has heard that it will be impossible for refugee families to obtain passports for return trips to the Islands until they have paid in full the money loaned them by the government for their trip to this country.

"We didn't ask to be sent over here," declared Mrs. Tiapon. "We were ordered out. General MacArthur sent guerrillas after us and took us to the submarine. After 12 days and nights of travel under conditions so crowded it was as bad as the trip through the jungle, we reached Australia, barefoot and dressed in rags."

Mrs. Tiapon said she wanted to stay in Australia, but the family was ordered to continue to the United States. Since their arrival in San Francisco 18 months ago, few helping hands have been extended.

The relief agency that met them at the dock, she declared, escorted them to a hotel and left them to pay their own bill.

The State Department followed suit by sending them a bill of over $1000 for their passage from Australia to San Francisco.

"That's the bill I'm supposed to pay before I can return to the islands where I can at least have a chance to provide decently for my children," said the 42-year-old widow, whose small salary, earned as an attendant at the veterans' hospital is all that the family has.

"We can just exist—at present prices," she said.

There is no money for dental work—and all of them need attention as a result of malnutrition, suffered during the months they hid in the mountains of Panay after the Japs had conquered the island.

There is certainly no money for such luxuries as a Thanksgiving feast, but the Tiapons, who have adopted Saint Terese as their patroness, will offer thanks on Thursday that they are alive and still together to their little statue of the saint, which is the one graceful thing in the drab cottage, located behind the University Motel, 2085 Bayshore Hwy.

It was there last February that Mrs. Tiapon showed the pluck of her Irish ancestors when she rescued a drowning boy from the creek that runs behind the family's cottage.

The young Tiapons, Mary, 18; Marjorie Louise, 14; Serafin Jr., 12, and 4-year-old Earl, pin their faith on their mother's courage and resourcefulness to pull them out of their present problems. The family is unanimous on one point.

"We don't want to mooch off anyone," is the way Mary explains it, "but we do think we're due for a few breaks."

$100,000 Firm Files Incorporation Notice

Incorporation of a $100,000 firm, Landon Standard Pools, with offices in Burlingame and warehouse and plant facilities East of Old County Rd. in Belmont, was disclosed as articles of incorporation were filed with County Clerk W. H. Augustus Saturday. The company previously in business as Standard Pools, has Everett Landon of San Mateo as president and George E. Landon of Van Nuys and Carl W. Anderson of Burlingame as directors. Ten thousand shares of stock, at $10 par value, are to be issued.



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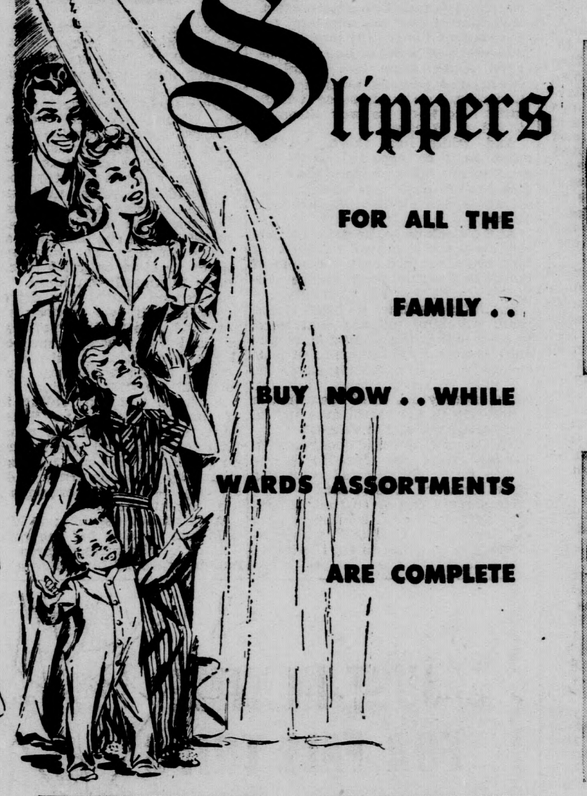
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Peterson Seeks New Ambulances

Two new ambulances for San Mateo County's emergency hospital service facilities, and five fully-trained hospital steward attendants to assist ambulance drivers, were demanded Tuesday by County Executive Frederick Peterson as a result of the speedily-mounting death and injury toll on highways as a result of traffic accidents.

Approving an informal recommendation of Richard Smith, business manager of Community Hospital already made to Dr. Charles C. Gans, county health department director, Peterson said he would ask inclusion of the cost of two more ambulances in the next county budget.

The county now operates two ambulances from Community Hospital, and a third operating from Daly City. Peterson's proposal would increase the service to include two ambulances in the northern end of the county, two and the hospital, and one in the southern portion of the county, he said.

At present, ambulance drivers, with a knowledge of first-aid proceedure, operate the ambulances, he said. His proposal for five attendants, one for each ambulance, would furnish a steward for each ambulance to enable "more satisfactory" treatment for patients en route to the hospital, Peterson said. Such a system, with the five ambulances suggested, Peterson said, would permit the zoning of the county for speedier service.

"Formal recommendation for this increase in service will no doubt come from Dr. Gans," Peterson said, "but I want it known that I heartily favor such a suggestion."

Smith, Peterson pointed out, is already authorized to call in private ambulance service facilities in case of need. The ambulances now operated by the county, he said, have room for three stretcher and two ambulatory cases per trip. "At the rate people are being hurt these days, that is still not enough equipment for this county. Money should be no consideration, when lives may be at stake."

Smith pointed out that 61 calls had been made on county-operated ambulances already this month.

Sgt. Jack Keller Expected Home

Mrs. John W. Keller, first lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps, now on terminal leave awaiting discharge from the service next Sunday, is in Redwood City today awaiting word that her husband, city fireman on leave, has left his station in Tarawa. Mrs. Keller spent 42 months in the army.

Her husband, Sgt. "Jack" Keller, has been in the army for three years and two months with the medical corps. He and his wife met at an army post in South Dakota and were married at Mitchell, S. D., June 7, 1944. Mrs. Keller is staying with the sergeant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Keller, 123 Poplar Ave.

Sergeant Keller wrote his wife that he is awaiting transportation home.

His brother, Gordon, is first sergeant with the engineers at Fort Lewis, Wash. In civilian life he was a driver for the San Francisco Fire Underwriters Patrol. Both men are graduates of Sequoia High School.

Girl Scouts Receive $1000

A $1000 gift "as a means of establishing a permanent memorial to our mother" has been presented to the Menlo Park-Atherton Girl Scout Council by Mrs. Leonard Stone (Elizabeth Werthman) of Peoria, Ill., and Mrs. Lee A. Dimond (Elise W. Werthman), San Francisco.

The gift is to be used for erection of a Girl Scout House in the Menlo Park area in memory of the late Rosalie H. Werthman, early resident of Menlo Park and prominent figure in Girl Scout activities there.

The money is to be used for a building within a five-mile radius of the Menlo Park City Hall, construction not to begin until sufficient additional funds have been pledged or collected to complete the project.

According to terms of the gift, a suitable plaque reciting the fact that the building was erected with proceeds of a fund started in memory of Mrs. Werthman shall be placed on or in the building.

Both donors attended Stanford and are well known in this area. Mrs. Dimond was prominent in local stage productions.

Mrs. Werthman was a commissioner of the Sequoia District Girl Scouts and an advisor to the Menlo Park-Atherton District Council.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Hilary H. Crawford, Esq.
Notice of Time Appointed for Probate of Will—No. 12597

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo.

In the Matter of the Estate of MARGARET MARY CUNNINGHAM, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Monday, the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1945, at 10 o'clock a.m. of that day, and the Court Room—Probate Department No. 1 of said Court, at the Court House in Redwood City, in the County of San Mateo, State of California, have been appointed as the time and place for proving the will of MARGARET MARY CUNNINGHAM, deceased, and for hearing the application of HILARY H. CRAWFORD for the issuance to him of Letters Testamentary thereon. Reference to said petition is hereby made for further particulars.

(SEAL) W. H. Augustus, Clerk; by Tillie Chiolero, Deputy Clerk.

Hilary H. Crawford, Esq., Mills Bldg., 220 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif., Attorney for Petitioner.

Dated November 15th, A. D. 1945.

(Endorsed) Filed Nov. 15, 1945. W. H. Augustus, Clerk; by Tillie Chiolero, Deputy Clerk.

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Tribune Reporter Surveys Traffic on a Saturday Night

(Editor's Note: With the traffic situation becoming alarmingly worse, the Tribune Saturday night sent a reporter to view the highway patrol's work on San Mateo County's highways. This is her version.)

BY NITA REIFSCHNEIDER

Put a lot of automobiles and people together and you get a result spelled traffic.

Put that traffic on Bayshore Hwy. and you get a problem that keeps a crew of California Highway Patrolmen on the go.

The patrolman considers his work just another job, in spite of activities that keep him busiest when others are pleasure-seeking motorists.

It's all a part of a day's work to recover stolen cars, provide escorts and patrol busy intersections when traffic is at its heaviest, prevent potential accidents from happening, and investigate collisions and wrecks that all-to-often result in fatalities.

Right now, because the San Mateo County crew is undermanned and traffic is probably as heavy as its pre-war levels ever reached, he is a busy man.

The Saturday night shift, for example:

He reports for work at 4 p.m.

That just about gives him time to drive in a black and white patrol car to Bayshore, east of Bay Meadows. The race track crowd soon starts homeward.

The short-wave radio operator in the Redwood City CHP office knows it's a matter of time until the patrolman radios in, "Out of service at Bay Meadows intersection."

"Out of service . . . " in this case means the patrolman goes to work. He has squeezed his car through the lines of northbound racing enthusiasts and has arrived at the scene of a rear-end collision.

He's routing traffic around a couple of jammed up automobiles. He's pulled out his accident report pad and is getting names and addresses of drivers and passengers. And maybe he's standing by injured persons awaiting the arrival of an ambulance which must also buck its way through the lines of cars.

And while he's there, another crash may be reported down the road where other drivers were unable to stop their machines in time to avoid smacking into the car ahead.

At 6 o'clock or so, he probably has the race track crowd in back of him and there are only a couple of hours before the peak of the evening's traffic will have subsided.

In the meantime, he patrols the road, watching mileage that must be kept within the 80-mile mark per shift because a Sacramento official ordered a cut in operating expenses.

Eighty miles don't go very far when he may use 40 of them in the round-trip to his patrol area in the northern part of the county.

The shortwave radio speaker with a range from San Jose to Sacramento keeps him posted with the latest numbers of "hot cars."

He stops a car or so that is running without lights. The driver gets a "mechanical citation," which in effect is a warning to fix the lights —or else.

Further down the highway on the south county patrol, another patrolman has returned to Bayshore after taking a couple of juveniles into the office for questioning.

The boy is a 17-year-old merchant mariner. The girl was just 16. They met four days ago in Los Angeles and decided to run away together when her father said "no" to marriage in the then one-day-old romance.

They were bound for Cupertino and the boy's mother, via the hitchhike method, when the patrolman saw them along the road. They looked young, he commented.

The patrolman had slowed his car and watched the young couple get a ride in an old model car. The driver passed by and the sailor kept watching the patrol car out of the rear window.

That was a giveaway to the officer who halted a surprised motorist and asked the passenger couple to accompany him.

Experience in patroling the highways trains the eye of a patrolman. He calls it intuition. But whatever the name, he can pick out a "hot" car or an erratic driver as easily as an art dealer can spot a Rembrandt.

A car on the north county detail gets a radio call: Accident at Brisbane on the Bayshore Hwy.

He races from Geneva Ave. with red emergency lights on and siren heralding his approach.

At the accident scene, drivers and witnesses are assembled to provide data for the accident reports. The officer looks over the site and checks skid marks.

Bus passengers turn their heads in unison as the Greyhounds thunder by the flare-lit scene. A tow car arrives and drags a car from the roadway.

Over the short-wave radio comes the report that the Community Hospital-based ambulance, which went into service four minutes after the short-wave call was sent out, has been ordered to return because the accident involved no injuries.

The ambulance now starts rolling when an accident report is monitored on the hospital's short-wave receiver. The new system saves precious minutes since the crew is already on hand.

A second patrol car drives by, stops, and its two occupants make a second report. The reporting driver pointed to a badly crumpled fender and explains a hit-run driver was to blame when cars swerved to avoid the first collision.

A Negro who was riding in one of the cars causes no little concern to he attempts to cross the busy four-lane highway, is stranded on the double line, and misses being struck by a bolting truck and trailer, only because he happens to be inhaling at the time.

A patrolman reprimands him and tells him to stay off the roadway.

Each of the officers present has had his turn of investigating fatal accidents on this stretch of the Bayshore. It's one of the worst spots on the road.

Reports completed, the cars depart and resume their regular patrol.

He gives a lift to a stalled motorist who is miles from a service station. He checks a couple of cars parked on the shoulder and radios the office to be sure they aren't on the "hot" list.

He checks several isolated roads from Alemany extension and El Camino Real in search of stolen cars that have been stripped. There has been a lot of San Francisco cars recovered in that fashion lately.

He heads southward and gets a call to ai da fellow patrolman in East Palo Alto.

The latter has taken two fellows into custody after a two-wheeled chase around corners. A driver's license notation revealed the motorist was on probation for a month-old violation. The license was good "for business purposes only." A reckless driving citation was issued because of the chase, rather than a citation for failure to stop at an arterial stop.

The second car's help wasn't needed. Neither was the help of a sheriff's car which had arrived at the scene through the medium of the radio dispatch. Neither was a Redwood City police car which had gone to Bayshore Hwy. to stand by if needed.

Both cars stand by as the merry crowd leaves the many taverns and clubs. Presence of "the law" slows down the driving speeds of motorists who could easily fail to see crossing pedestrians in the darkness.

The shift is supposed to end at midnight, but because the crowd has not yet dispersed, he stands by. He watches a drunk stagger into a taxi cab and thanks Heaven that the fellow is off the highway.

When the scene is fairly deserted, he makes a last check of cars still parked in front of the clubs. Maybe one was driven here and abandoned by a fun-seeking car thief.

All seems in order, so he heads back to the Redwood City office where he'll check out for the night.

"This has been a quiet night," he thinks. But he knows the fellows on the next shift, or perhaps himself tomorrow, may get in on a series of wrecks that result in headlines like "Two Dead in S. M. County Crashes."

Traffic is light on the highway at this early morning hour.

But all the way to the office he watches for anything that may make the highway unsafe. Always after midnight he is watchful for a 502—the penal code number for a drunken driver.

The postwar has brought no letup to the size of his job. He knows the ever increasing traffic rate means a lot more people are "accidents going someplace to happen."

Jury Prefers Present Site For Home

Immediate construction of a "new and modern detention home" on the present site at 1825 Broadway, was recommended today in a surprise report to Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton and supervisors by Joseph T. McClellan, chairman of the San Mateo County grand jury committee on public morals and delinquency.

McClellan and his four co-members characterized the present home in their report as "grossly inadequate and inappropriate for the care of children."

The report points out that "perhaps a better site for a new detention home could be found, but it is urgent that something be done right away; therefore we suggest the present site be utilized."

Facilities for the new home, the committee insists, should include fireproof construction throughout, separate dining rooms for boys and girls, separate playgrounds for the exercise of boys and girls, separate rooms where parents may visit the boys and girls, separate rooms for boys and girls to be questioned, investigated and counseled, a cheerful atmosphere and color scheme to avoid "the appearances of a jail," separate and public lavatories not only for children but also for employes and visiting public.

The committee also recommended appointment of "at least two more male probation officers." Declaring the probation department is "actually understaffed," the report suggests the chief probation officer be relieved of handling details of actual cases, so he can adequately supervise his assistants. The report points out that "we should have a probation officer handling the cases that come up in the north end of the county, and not confine all activities to the south end, such as Redwood City."

John S. Cowgill, probation officer, has now one full-time male deputy, Anthony Lovoi, and a part-time, non-paid deputy in Brisbane.

The report suggests the probation department building and detention home facilities should be located "close to the judges' offices, the police, and the courts so that prompt service may be handed out to these cases. It should also be easily available to the public who will have business with it." For personnel, "not only should they be well-paid, but provision should be made to advance them year by year so that their experience and training will be appreciated and kept for the benefit of the people of our county."

Frank Boos Dies Here

Frank Boos, born Oct. 8, 1861, at Searsville, died Sunday at 4:30 p.m. while sitting quietly on the front porch of his home 1316 Middlefield Rd.

The early Peninsula resident had lived in this area all his life. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boos and his mother was a member of a pioneer Spanish family.

Mr. Boos was employed by Frank's Tannery and the Crane Co. in San Francisco prior to retiring 20 years ago. He helped break the ground for the erection of Stanford University and was personally acquainted with Leland Stanford.

Mr. Boos leaves his widow, Emma; two sons, William Boos of San Francisco and Henry Boos of Burlingame, and three grandchildren; Marine PFC Robert Boos, stationed on Tinian; Metalsmith William Boos of the submarine service who is home on leave; and Marilyn Boos, the children of William Boos.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 3 p.m., at the Layng and Tinney Funeral Home by the Rev. J. E. Marozik. Interment followed at Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

Squires Observe Air Lines Night

"United Air Lines Night" was celebrated by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Columbian Squire Circle 434 at their regular meeting last week.

R. J. Jarvis, buyer from the air lines, brought three men, part of the air transport command, to the meeting. They were: J. W. McCoy, flight engineer; Lawrence Hilleson, flight officer, and Jack Haskell, member of the ground crew. The airmen gave a short resume of their experiences and told of their duties of transporting men, materials and also litter cases.

Hilleson then showed several colored stills of pictures he had taken on his trips and of stops in the Pacific islands where was stationed for 22 months. A technical and sound picture was shown of the invasions of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

During the regular business meeting, Squires decided to participate in a retreat at the Jesuits Retreat House at Los Altos during Holy Week of 1946. The cultural committee stated that it was going ahead with plans to give Christmas presents to the Dominican Sisters of Menlo Park.

The Squires will start off their athletic program tomorrow at 1 p.m. on the outside courts at Sequoia High School by practicing for the coming basketball league. The religious committee, with the aid of E. Jurgensen, state chairman of insurance and membership of the Knights of Columbus who attended this week's meeting, is going to secure 200 books for the first Friday night Holy Hour.



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To Discuss Sequoia Expansion

Building additions to Sequoia High School will be discussed by the board of trustees during a public meeting Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m., at the high school, Supt. A. C. Argo announced Saturday.

Argo said that the trustees hoped all interested citizens would attend the special session designed to explain the building needs of the school.

"Sequoia was built to accommodate 1600 students at the very most. We now have a 2000 enrollment with an estimated 3000 students attending by 1950," Argo explained. "We must do something about this situation and additions to the plant seem the only solution at present."

Trustees last night continued their discussion of possible purchase of South San Mateo County sites for one or two new high schools but no action was taken, Argo stated.

Argo reported to the board that three teachers, on military leave from Sequoia, had returned to their classrooms. They are John Peck, who is a German instructor and counselor; Harvey Hall, English teacher and counselor, and Luke Argilla, physical education instructor.

Mrs. Roger Barker, visiting teacher at Sequoia for the past three years, has resigned her position, Argo informed the board, to accompany her husband East. Mr. Barker has been appointed professor of psychology at Clark University.

Officers Give 10 Citations For Traffic Safety Violations

Ten motorists were cited for traffic safety violations ranging from reckless driving to driving without operator's licenses, by Redwood City police and California Highway Patrol officers in the 24 hours ended at midnight Tuesday. All must appear before justices of the peace in various San Mateo County townships.

The drivers are:

Willis H. Davis, 36, 900 Fulton St., San Francisco, charged with reckless driving, speeding, to appear in San Mateo justice court.

Stephen Rew, 19, 122 Grant Ave., Los Angeles, speeding, to appear in South San Francisco justice court.

Frank G. Olsen, 628 Capp St., San Francisco, driving on the wrong side of the highway, to appear in South San Francisco court.

Edward Dito, 30, 1845 Larkin St., driving without lights, driving without operator's license, to appear in South San Francisco court.

Mrs. Doris J. Paddock, 990 Bay St., San Francisco, intoxicated in and about a motor vehicle, to appear in San Mateo court.

Ruby M. Gilbreath, 1837 Jefferson St., Redwood City, to appear here on speeding charges.

Jess Orsatti, 9130 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, to appear here on charges of turning a vehicle in the middle of the block on a business street.

Jeremy M. Est-Hokin, 2217 North Point St., San Franciso, to appear here on speeding charges.

Anthony C. Zufich, 108 Ford St., Watsonville, to appear here on speeding charges.

Raymond W. Carino, 525 Douglas St., Redwood City, to appear here on charges of failure to display license plates, and driving without an operator's license.

Of Neglect Hints Mother Cleared

Mrs. Joan Lewis Galvin, a 20-year-old San Mateo mother of a 6-month-old child, who Thursday confessed to San Bruno police she had looted a friend's strongbox, destroyed war bonds and taken $240 in cash, faces no charge of child-neglect, County Probation Officer John S. Cowgill said Saturday.



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